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Sir:

In response to the November 20, 2002 Telephonic discussion with Examiner Stucker, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims**

  
Please amend claims 40, 42-46, 48-49, 68, 71 and 82 to read as follows: